

BRENTWOOD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Meeting of April 10, 2013

Members in attendance: Doug Cowie, E. Schmalzer, Jodi Kaufman, Heather Dudley-Tatman and Rob Wofchuck, chair

Alternates in attendance: Reid Bunker

Meeting convened at 7:05PM.

- 1) E. Schmalzer moves to give Bunker voting rights, the motion is seconded by Cowie and passed.
- 2) The March 13, 2013 minutes were moved by Cowie and seconded by Dudley-Tatman. The minutes were approved. Kaufman abstained.
- 3) Rowell Road residents George and Elaine Hussey were present and asked to speak to the Commission. They wanted to express their concern of the dust from the unpaved portion of the road getting into the Exeter River in the vicinity of the recent stormwater project. They recommend that the road be paved. They also expressed concern that more than ½ of the snow was plowed to the river side of the road during a snow event and thought that given the improvements made during the storm water project that the Town plow a majority of the snow to the other side of the road would be better. The commission noted theses concerns and recommended contacting the Selectmen's office.
- 4) Chris Albert from Jones and Beach, Engineers was present to present to identify a parcel of project in Brentwood to present to NHDES for funding instead of contributing to the ARM fund. The project is for the proposed development of 421 Route 125. The proposed development is located along Route 125 and would require approximately 15,000 square feet of wetland impacts which is triggering the ARM fund requirement of approximately \$63,000. The commission identified one property and Kaufman was going to contact the owner to determine interest.
- 5) Wofchuck presented an update on the Exeter River Stormwater Project.
 - a. The catch basin has not been installed. The materials have been procured and the highway department will install the catch basin by the end of April; and
 - b. The outreach brochure was distributed in the town's newsletter.
- 6) Wofchuck presented an Open Space Update.
 - a. One of the WREP easements is complete;
 - b. Two easements will close in the next week or two;
 - c. One of the WREP easements is waiting for title to be resolved.
- 7) Easement Monitoring Update
 - a. Wofchuck provided a reminder on Easement mentoring. Several of the 2012 reports need to be finished and submitted. There is follow-up to be done on the aerial monitoring reports completed in 2012 as well.
 - b. The aerial monitoring of the Windy Brook Farm easements identified some issues that need to be addressed with the several landowners. Wofchuck suggested that the commission engage the SELTNH to complete easement awareness training with the property owners and address the easement concerns. The commission agreed and Wofchuck will obtain a proposal.
- 8) Wofchuck presented and review of the 2013 budget.

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- 9) The outreach brochure prepared as part of the stormwater project was distributed in the Brentwood Newsletter. The newsletter has requested \$50 for the additional shipping costs. E. Schmalzer moved to pay the Brentwood Newsletter \$50 from the Conservation Fund for the shipping charges. Cowie seconded the motion and the motion passed.
- 10) Dudley-Tatman and E. Schmalzer will coordinate a second Earth Day road side clean up day in April similar to last year's event. The Cleanup Event will be on April 20 and authorization to use the Pilgrim Church facilities has been obtained. The event will include a cookout lunch.
- 11) Wofchuck provided an update on the Green Infrastructure project. He believes that the Brentwood would be a good fit in the project and would like to proceed with the application process. The commission discussed and agreed for Wofchuck to continue working on the project.

At 8:45PM Cowie moved to adjourn, Bunker seconded and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Heather Dudley-Tatman